

GOV. RYE ANNOUNCES

To the Democrats of Tennessee:
It has long been the custom in Tennessee for a governor to seek an endorsement at the hands of the people. Following this custom and humbly trusting that my administration of the affairs of state, in some measure at least, merits such an endorsement I hereby announce my candidacy to succeed myself.

In making this announcement, I am assuming that the party I have the honor to represent will take no backward step, but will adopt a platform declaring for needed progressive legislation and at the same time strictly adhere to the principles of the party, as announced by its last convention.

In entering the contest to succeed myself, I appeal to the people who believe that a platform pledge adopted and advocated by a candidate on the stump is a sacred covenant between the candidate and the people, and who endorse the efforts I have made to subserve the best interests of the state by trying to keep faith with the people.

If a majority of my party believe I am entitled to this consideration at their hands, I shall greatly appreciate the honor and promise to make the best fight I can to perpetuate the principles of the party, as declared by its last platform.

If some other policy antagonistic to these principles must be the platform on which the fight is to be waged for an endorsement at the hands of the people, then I do not desire nor would I accept a nomination if tendered me.

With assurances of my profound gratitude to the people of this state for the honor they have done me, I am, very respectfully,

TOM C. RYE.

COOKEVILLE THE BEAUTIFUL

Cookeville is naturally one of the prettiest towns in Tennessee. Her people are among the most progressive in Tennessee and are ever on the alert to take advantage of every opportunity to grow more beautiful and be more progressive.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hargis of Washington Ave. are the first citizens to take advantage of the ordinance passed recently by the wise fathers of the city relegating the cow to pastures green. The Hargis lawn has always been one of the prettiest and best kept in the town and this latest improvement (removing front fence) was the only thing lacking to complete its beauty.

(Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jenkins have also had their front fence removed.—Editor.)

No town can hope to be beautiful as a whole without the earnest and hearty co-operation of every man, woman and child in the town.

Cookeville people work together; hence its growth, prosperity and increasing civic pride.

The civic committee of the Parent-Teacher association, together with the mayor and board of aldermen, will have some interesting announcements to make within a few days.

SECRETARY P. T. A.

BUFFALO VALLEY ROUTE 1

Cousins Willie and Ida Jared of Silver Point come again.

Uncle Bill Jared, was glad to read your letter in the Herald.

Mrs. Mallie Bockman, who has been confined to her room for some time, is improving.

Misses Lucinda and Dora Burgess visited the writer this afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Pasco Robinson, a six pound boy.

Cousin Maggie Jared of near Baxter has been visiting friends and relatives in Gentry and Chestnut Mound during the past week.

Miss Emma Fields' eyes are no better.

I wonder if Arthur Robertson is still playing setback.

ALICE ROBERTSON.

MUSCOGEE, OKLA.

Farming is the order of the day now as it has been bad weather so long we could not work.

Harvey Blankenship has been sick but is lots better.

Ova Lafaver of R. 5 come on with the news.

Della Mills I hope you good luck with your chickens.

Joe Blankenship is rejoicing over an eight pound boy. The baby has been named Rastus.

Raymond Burrows fills his regular appointment at Miss Lambert's every Sunday afternoon.

John Brown and wife visited C. C. Johnson Sunday.

There will be a quilting at Mrs. Margaret Blankenship's Saturday all day and a party at night.

OLLIE MILLS come out to Oklahoma right away if you don't you will be lost. Mrs. Lizzie Blankenship.

TELLS ABOUT HER WORK

Following is an interesting letter from Gertrude Whitney, in which she tells of her work in school at Chicago. My studies for classroom work are Pre-Exile History and Prophecy, which is self-explanatory, as are all these below, Social Problems, Individual Evangelism, Ethics, the Social Mission of the Church, Good Housing and Club Management. Introduction to Field Work is trips we have to make whereby we see others doing work and thereby acquainting ourselves with the great problems and needs the world is facing. For instance, we visited Hull House, the Union Stock Yards, United Charities of Chicago, Registration Bureau, Industrial Churches, Playgrounds and Parks, Community Centers, etc., etc. Then we have Field Work, which means doing the work ourselves, and we have to go wherever our director sends us. For instance, I had charge of a class of Bohemian children in a community made up of twenty-five nationalities, every Saturday before Christmas. Thursday nights before the holidays I played cornet at a Rescue Mission for "down and out" men. Besides doing some other little things, such as visiting at the refuge for girls and helping with them. This week I have been helping in a revival at the Refuge. And yesterday I was on the program at a mothers' meeting in the Italian section. Again tomorrow night I am to go to help at the Refuge. Next week I am on a program at a South Side church and am also billed to go with a sanitation officer on an inspection trip. Tomorrow morning I go on an inspection trip to a plumbing establishment. These last trips are in connection with Good Housing and Social Problems.

In Social Mission of the Church I have to write a 15 page paper on the "Church Need of My Home Community." I. Its Social Problems. II. Assets of the Community. III. What Constructive Forces are at Work. IV. Make out a social program for the church tending to make the community good.

I am going to take dinner tonight with my cousin, Mrs. Max Whitney, whose husband died Dec. 8th. Many cookevillians remember Max, as he lived there with his father and mother for some time.

We have over 100 students training for Foreign and Home Mission Work and others training for Social Service, about 250 in all. All deeply interested in training to give the best work possible to the Master by understanding the needs of His children according to the enlightenment of the times. There is a spiritual atmosphere here that is very uplifting and one finds little time for anything but joy in service.

At seven o'clock a. m. we have Morning Watch, which is gathering in the corridors and singing for a few minutes, followed by fifteen minutes for prayer and meditation in our rooms. Then breakfast. Following this is a delightful Chapel service and then the lessons and library work for the day. Saturday night we have splendid prayer meetings in the Chapel. Sunday afternoon at four the most beautiful vesper service, where the school choir dresses in white sing in the Processional, with grand pipe organ accompaniment. Some speaker gives a message and a short musical program is given, after which the choir give the Recessional, and as their "amen" dies away in the distance and the night has lowered we go to the dining room for our lunch. From there we go to the student parlor for a half hour of song before church time. We are all allowed to go to any church we desire.

GERTRUDE WHITNEY.

PASTORS EXCHANGE PULPITS

Rev. R. J. Craig will exchange pulpits with Rev. Fred B. Cox of Algood next Sunday, March 19. Mr. Cox will preach at the Methodist church at 11:00 o'clock and Mr. Craig will preach at Algood at the same hour. The public invited.

UNION REVIVAL SERVICES

A union evangelistic campaign will commence at Algood Sunday night, March 26. The congregations of the Presbyterian and Methodist churches will join in this meeting. The preaching will be done by Revs. Mount Smith and Fred B. Cox.

BAR ASSOCIATION

A number of the lawyers of Cookeville met last Thursday and organized the Putnam County Bar Association. Thos. Finley was elected as president for one year and Ernest H. Boyd secretary-treasurer. A committee was named to draft by-laws for the association.

Let's not be trying to stop something all the time; start something.

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Democratic Executive Committee of Putnam County is hereby called to meet at the courthouse in Cookeville, Tenn., Saturday, March 18, 1916, at 1 p. m., for the transaction of such business as may properly come before it. Important that you be present.

C. H. RICKMAN, Chairman.
JNO. H. CORNWELL, Sec.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIAL

Last Friday night a genial set of people enjoyed themselves at the First Presbyterian church with games and refreshments. At 8:30 at the Manse they were highly entertained by the farce "Dr. Cure All" which was very successfully given by the Protean class, with the following cast of characters:

Dr. Cure All Albert Smith
Maria Mrs. R. H. Harding
Mrs. Brown Verdie Ellis
Miss Jane Scrimps, Gretchen Boyd
Mr. Alphonsso DeJones, Eugene Jared
Mrs. Rotchkins Marjorie Boyd
Miss Kate Rotchkin Flossie West
Miss Seraphina Paddington

Willie DeRossett
Mrs. Scrawny Kennie Smartt
Mrs. Blooming McGregor Smith
Manager, R. H. Harding.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. A. M. Gibbs Monday afternoon at 2:30. After a devotional service of Bible reading, songs and prayer, a short business meeting was held. At this meeting the delegates who attended the annual missionary conference at Gallatin reported from their note books. Members and visitors listened interestedly and attentively to these good reports and caught much of the enthusiasm and inspiration that Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Dowell had gathered at the conference. The next annual meeting goes to Pulaski.

After the benediction by Bro. Craig Mrs. Gibbs and Miss Mary Frank Huffmeister served delicious refreshments. Next meeting with Mrs. O. D. Massa, March 20th.

EARLY CLOSING HOUR

Beginning April 1, 1916
The undersigned merchants of the city will close our doors at 6:30 each evening except Saturdays, and will sell no goods after that hour except in cases of sickness or for burial purposes.

JENKINS & DARWIN BROS.
COOKEVILLE MERCANTILE CO.
WILLIAMS, ELROD & MADDUX.
A. P. BARNES & SONS.

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, serious charges have been made against those clothed with the authority to administer justice in the criminal courts of our County of Shelby, which involve the integrity, fidelity, character and the commission of crimes in office by said officials; and much publicity having been given thereto by the press of the state and committees of reputable citizens of said county having duly investigated said charges and the commission of said crimes in office and find said charges sustained by the proof and recommend that said officials be impeached by a court of competent jurisdiction; and the charges being of such a nature and character that in justice to the judiciary and the splendid citizenship of the state an investigation by a court of competent jurisdiction is absolutely imperative; and it appearing that the General Assembly is clothed with constitutional authority to investigate said charges to the end that the accused may be removed from office if guilty by the concurrent vote of both houses, or impeached by the House of Representatives and tried by the Senate as a court of impeachment after proper notice, etc., according to the provisions of the constitution herein referred to.

Now, therefore, I, Tom C. Rye, governor of Tennessee, by virtue of the power in me invested by Section 9, Article III of the Constitution of Tennessee, do, by this proclamation, hereby convene the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee in extraordinary session, to be held in the capitol in the City of Nashville, on Tuesday, the 21st day of March, A. D. 1916, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of considering the following legislative business and duties, to-wit:

First—To inquire into the official conduct and fidelity of circuit and criminal court judges and district attorneys for the state, charged with the enforcement of the laws of this state, and more especially the official conduct, fidelity of, and the commission of crimes in office by Judge Jesse Edgington, the regularly elected and qualified judge of division 1 of the criminal court of Shelby County, and of Z. Newton Estes, the regularly elected and qualified attorney-general for Shelby County, and if the facts warrant, to remove either or both of them in accordance with Article VI, Section 6, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, or to impeach either or both of them in accordance with the provisions of Article V, Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Constitution.

Second—From sources apparently authentic I am advised that certain influences have undertaken the task of organizing a lobby with sufficient operating capital to aid the Legislature in reaching just and proper conclusion with reference to the matters of this call. We may concede for the time being that these gentlemen are actuated alone by a patriotic desire to see equal and exact justice done (according to their unselfish and unbiased minds) and that they feel it incumbent upon them to manifest an interest in all public affairs because of the self-imposed task they seem to have assumed of shaping the principles and policies and dictating the personnel of national, state, county and city governments.

However, it is my opinion that the Legislature can and will be glad to dispense with the valuable services of these gentlemen, or their representatives, in the matters to be considered by them under this call, and the matter would not be here referred to but for the fact that the powers and duties of the General Assembly, in extraordinary session, are limited and circumscribed, and in order that the General Assembly may, if necessary, be clothed with power to pass laws, resolutions and rules and to appoint such committees as may be necessary to investigate, try and punish any voluntary, unwarranted or illegal effort upon the part of any person or persons either for or against an accused, or to in any way seek to interfere with the deliberations of the Legislature, or the Senate, in dealing with the matters embraced within this call, such authority is hereby given.

I think I mistake not the sentiment of a general public when I say that the time for outside and unwarranted interference, or attempted interference, with lawmakers and law enforcers shall cease in Tennessee.

Third—To provide by appropriation for the payment of the necessary expenses of this extra session and of the court if impeachment. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed thereto, at the capitol in the City of Nashville, this 11th day of March, A. D. 1916, and of the American Independence the one hundred and fortieth.

TOM C. RYE, Governor.
By the Governor: R. R. SNEED, Secretary of State.

LOWE-WHITSON WEDDING

In the marriage of Miss Mary Alice Whitson and Mr. Robert Witherspoon Lowe Tuesday is the uniting of two of the largest and best known families in Middle Tennessee. The ceremony was said at noon in the Church of Christ, in the presence of several hundred friends, Elder W. L. Karnes officiating. Lohengrin's bridal chorus was sung by Mrs. Herbert Carlen, Misses Annie Minor, Maria Smith, Mary Jared, Frances Ford, Marie Kerr, Jennie Lee Williams, Mrs. R. L. Maddux and Messrs. S. H. Young, Austin Smith, John Cummins, Sam Pendergrass and B. Murphy, concluding a musical program of unusual beauty.

The ushers were Messrs. John S. Denton, Garrett Maxwell, John H. Whitson, H. T. Whitson, Walter L. Whitson, Jesse Elrod, T. D. Ford, R. L. Farley, Tom Lowe, James Quarles, Jere B. Barnes, W. A. Hensley, D. C. Wilhite, Ben Clark, O. E. Cameron and J. N. Cox, and Mr. Gideon Lowe, brother of the groom, was best man.

Miss Fanalou Whitson, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and little Mary Frances Whitson as flower girl, preceded Miss Whitson and her father. The bride wore a tailored suit of midnight blue, with trimmings of cloth of gold and hat to match. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Lowe left for an extended eastern trip. Many delightful prenuptial affairs have been given the bride. Among those entertaining were Miss Frances Ford, with a miscellaneous shower, Misses Minor and Williams with a kitchen shower, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Maddux and Miss Jared with a reception, Mrs. H. T. Whitson with a luncheon, and Mr. and Mrs. Jere Whitson entertained the bridal party Monday evening after the rehearsal. Upon the return of Mrs. Lowe Mrs. C. A. Douglass and Mrs. Rutledge Smith will give a tea in her honor.

Mrs. Lowe is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jere Whitson, and since her young ladyhood has won many friends by her gracious charm and lovely disposition. She is a graduate of Belmont College and a young woman of rare ability. Mr. Lowe is a son of Mrs. Gideon Lowe, and is president of the Cookeville Planing Mills Co.

Among the guests from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Denton, Miss Mary Farr Denton of Franklin; Misses Marie Kerr and Sara Sudekum of Nashville; Miss Mary Jared of Buffalo Valley; Miss Ruth Nowlin of Sparta, and Mrs. C. A. Douglass of Algood.

PARENT-TEACHERS

The Parent-Teachers' Association held its semi-monthly meeting in the library of the city school Wednesday afternoon, March 15. After the house was called to order the president called for a report from the Civic department. As Mrs. Wilson, chairman of this department, was present she read the resolutions to be presented to the mayor and aldermen respectfully soliciting their cooperation. There were several suggestions made to aid the City Beautiful work. Everybody is enthusiastic over this work and hearty cooperation can accomplish what is wanted and needed.

The report from the Music department was next in order, and Miss Mamie Morgan, chairman of that department, reported that a Nashville firm had already placed a piano in the auditorium of the city school on trial, and they wished to give it a thorough trial. Miss Morgan appointed as Finance committee Mrs. J. H. Carlen, Mrs. H. H. Haggard, Mrs. J. Rich Thomas. She wants them to consult with the Lyceum manager and find out what per cent. of proceeds will go into their fund by taking charge of the "Mock Wedding," which is coming. She also appointed Miss Bertha Ensor chairman of Musical Programs, and she to select her helpers, and any time the Parent-Teachers' Association needed music to notify Miss Ensor.

The following committee was appointed to draw up a constitution and by-laws: Mrs. H. H. Haggard, Mrs. W. M. Shanks, Mrs. Rutledge Smith, Mrs. B. G. Adcock, Mrs. Alfred Algood, with Mrs. Algood as chairman. By suggestion of Mrs. Rutledge Smith a department of the Association is to be known as the Central High School department, and Mrs. Fred White chairman, with Mrs. Alfred Gibbs assistant.

The delegates for the Mothers' National Congress, which is to meet in Nashville early in April, were the president, Mrs. W. R. Carlen, and Mrs. O. K. Holladay, with Mrs. Alfred Algood as alternate. Delegates to the State Federation of Women's Clubs, which will meet in Chattanooga in May, were Mrs. Rutledge Smith and Miss Mamie Morgan, with Miss Kate Williams and Mrs. Algood Carlen as alternates. Miss Laura Copeland was appointed chairman of the Library committee. The following ladies were placed on the Extension of Membership committee—Mrs. B. G. Adcock, Mrs. Alfred Algood, Mrs. T. J. Gregory, Mrs. Rutledge Smith, Mrs. A. M. Gibbs Mrs. Thos. Finley. The president suggested as the Library is to be the permanent meeting place that each member donate something to beautify the room and make it an attractive meeting place.

In order to raise some much needed money the association is going to give a spelling match. Adjourned to meet March 29, 1916. All members invited to be present.

MRS. ALGOOD CARLEN,
Secretary pro tem.

REPUBLICAN HARMONY

At a harmony caucus by Republican leaders, held in Nashville last week, it appears that Hooper and Sanders got Sam Ram and Alabama Dick's goat. The compromise provides that J. Willie Taylor succeed Jay Simp Beasley as chairman of the state committee, and that John J. Gore is to be national committeeman instead of Sam Ram—Claborne Co. Progress.

Above is the expressed view of a good Republican paper on the present arrangements in that party.

STRANGE AFFLICTION

A case of complete color blindness was discovered at the naval recruiting station at Philadelphia recently when Patrick McKenna, an applicant for enlistment, called off each green tinted yarn skein used for the test, as orange or yellow, when held up to his view. McKenna was rejected for color blindness and advised to keep close to his room on March 17th.

RED BOILING SPRINGS

A few months ago I had the pleasure of visiting relatives and friends in and around Cookeville. I beg to state that I enjoyed my visit very much and was also very much impressed with the town of Cookeville. In the language of the street you certainly have some town. In fact, you have good churches, good schools and good everything; but I observed a few old Democrats around there who are somewhat like Kentuckians are by their whiskey—that is they take it straight. Among the people I met while there was Mr. Wirt, the junior member of the Herald force. He seems to be a model young man. I will venture to say when the smoke of battle clears away and genuine prosperity comes again there will be a bright future for Cookeville.

J. R. KINNAIRD.



Mt. View Lodge, No. 179, I. O. O. F. held a splendid meeting on March 11th, 1916, Jas. H. McCulley, N. G., presiding, with a good attendance. Quite a lot of routine business was disposed of.

Bro. Chas. Bradford is still improving slowly.

Bro. J. H. York was reported to be afflicted with something similar to his pellagra of about three years ago. By several it is thought to be caused by handling hot boards at the veneer factory—a kind of steam poison. Nevertheless, he is reported in a serious condition.

On the 6th inst. Willard Clarence Garrison, one of our wards at the I. O. O. F. Home, 10 years of age, was electrocuted while playing with an abandoned telephone line wire. The matter seems mysterious and inexplicable by the Home management. He was brought here for burial on Tuesday, the 7th, and was buried on the 8th inst. beside his father in the Pippin graveyard.

The initiatory was conferred upon one applicant. Two petitions were received and referred, one for initiatory and one for membership by transfer. Several communications were read and filed. Next meeting is on Friday night. Let's have a full meeting.

FAMILY REUNION

The children and grandchildren of Robert Peek planned a surprise reunion at his home in West Cookeville on March 6, which was quite a success. All the children were present except Mrs. A. L. Boatman, she being sick. Those present were Prof. V. D. Peek, of Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C.; P. P. Peek of Florey, Texas; J. B. Peek of Pleasant Hill; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. H. Taylor and daughter, Jessie; Mr. and Mrs. John Pointer and little sons; Mrs. Ollie Peek, and Misses Cora and Alice Boatman of Algood. All enjoyed the social hours and tales of days gone by.

FOR KILLING OF JOHN S. WEST

Three Men Arrested for Alleged Murder of Revenue Officer

This (Friday) morning government officials arrested Everett Herd, George Carr and Wash Carr, all living near Boma, on charge of killing John S. West, a revenue officer who was killed in a raid during February, 1915. The arrests were made by Deputy Marshals W. H. Tyler and H. M. Hughes and Deputy Collector C. N. Gracey. The prisoners were brought to Cookeville and then taken to Nashville, and will have a preliminary hearing before Commissioner J. B. Barnes in Cookeville next week Saturday.

TROUBLE WITH MEXICANS

A body of Mexican brigands supposed to belong to Villa's command raided the town of Columbus, N. M., Thursday and killed a number of citizens and soldiers. Over 100 of the Mexicans were killed and the balance escaped. United States troops have followed them into Mexico and serious trouble may result.

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING

A mass meeting of Putnam county Democrats is hereby called to meet in the courthouse in Cookeville, Tenn. on Monday, April 3, 1916, at one o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention to assemble in Nashville on May 17, 1916, and to transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

March 8, 1916.

C. H. RICKMAN, Chairman.

BURGLARS AT ALGOOD

Last Tuesday night burglars broke into the store of the Algood Drug Co. and stole quite a lot of jewelry and other goods. There have been no arrests as yet.

BUFFALO VALLEY ROUTE 1

I live one mile north of Gentry and have been living here five months. I like the place and people fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Fields have gone to keeping house again after having their home destroyed by fire.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Thompson March 1's boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown and little son visited Mr. and Mrs. Early Elrod Saturday night.

Garland Kinnaird of Kearney, Mo. I would like to hear from you.

Mr. Chas. B. Ensor and Miss Pearl Huddleston of Gentry were married Sunday.

Come again cousin Mollie Dahul, we miss your letters.

Papa we are still looking for you and mama to come.

I will ask for a shower of birthday cards March 23. I will be 19, and all cards will be appreciated.

MRS. MAUDE THOMPSON.